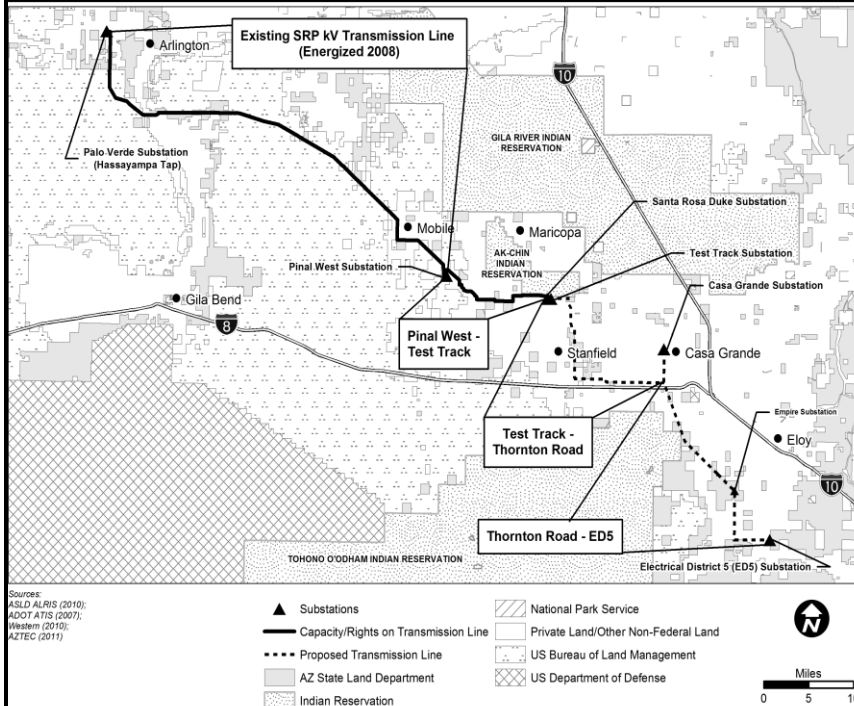




PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Hassayampa Tap – ED5 Construction and Improvements for a Transmission Line and Three Substations



The U.S. Department of Energy's Western Area Power Administration (Western) plans to add capacity and transmission rights across existing/planned transmission line, provide federal funding for construction of new and existing lines, upgrade three existing substations, and rebuild/upgrade an existing segment of a 115-kV transmission line. The proposed project consists of four transmission line segments extending approximately 109 miles from the Hassayampa Tap near the Palo Verde Generating Station to Western's Electric District 5 (ED5) Substation. Western has initiated the Hassayampa Tap – ED5 open house to:

- Identify issues related to the proposed project.
- Identify social, environmental, and economic review and consultation requirements.
- Define the environmental analysis process and technical studies necessary to adequately address the impacts of the proposed project.
- Identify the interested and affected parties.
- Provide information to agencies and the public regarding the proposed project.

Public Open House

**Wednesday,
March 9, 2011**

**City of Casa Grande
Parks and Recreation
Department
Class Rooms**

**404 E. Florence Blvd.,
Casa Grande**

From 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

The public is encouraged to attend the upcoming public open house to learn more about this project and to provide input about the transmission line. Public comments will be accepted through April 11, 2011.

For additional information or if you would like a copy of the EA, please contact Linette King at 602.605.2434, via e-mail at LKing@wapa.gov; or visit Western's websites:
<http://www.wapa.gov/dsw/pwrmt/Ed5/Main.htm> or
http://www.wapa.gov/dsw/Ten_Year_Capital_Program/Ten_Year_CP.htm

As part of the environmental process Western will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) report analyzing impacts to resources within the project area. The proposed project would cross ephemeral washes in the project area; therefore, floodplains and riparian areas will be analyzed and the findings documented in the EA.

For reasonable accommodation, contact Ms. Diana Dunn at 602.458.7478, fax 602.454.0403, or e-mail ddunn@aztec.us, as early as possible to coordinate needed arrangements.